

MR. JATRA NAIK (Minority Interest).—

Q.—58. (a) Are the Government aware of the fact that Lambanis were formerly not addicted to evil ways as regards food and drink and were supplying food-stuffs to famine-stricken areas by carrying them on oxen from place to place before railway came into existence and that these people, having become somehow addicted to drinking, are now degenerating?

(b) If so, will the Government take measures to uplift this class of people by appointing at the cost of Government two preachers to wean them out of their evil habits?

FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—58. (a) Government have no exact information.

(b) Government do not consider that the appointment of two preachers will achieve the object the member has in view.

MR. B. C. RANGAPPA (Minority Interest).—

Q.—62. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) The number of Kaniyar boys studying in each class of each school (Talukwar)?

(b) The number, out of the above, who applied for scholarships during the past three years (1925-26, 1926-27, 1927-28)?

(c) How many of the applicants were awarded scholarships, and how many not?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS.—

A.—62. (a), (b), and (c) The information asked for is not readily available.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

MR. B. C. Rangappa.—

What is the reason for not giving the information?

Development Secretary to Government.—

No separate account is kept. Information has to be got from each school.

Mr. B. C. Rangappa.—

How long would it take to collect it?

Development Secretary to Government.—

Two or three months.

Mr. B. C. Rangappa.—

Would you collect and give the information?

Third Member of Council.—

If you ask for it again, it will be collected.

MR. K. T. BHASHYAM IYENGAR (Legal Interest).—

Q.—64. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) Whether they are aware that the lift in the Victoria Hospital, Bangalore, is worked on cotton ropes by manual labour?

(b) Whether it is a fact that the Hospital authorities have requested the Government more than once to provide an electric lift in place thereof?

(c) If so, when was such a request made for the first time and with what result?

(d) What are the objections, if any, for not supplying an electric lift in spite of requests?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—64. (a) The answer is in the affirmative.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No objection whatever. Government are aware that it is desirable to instal an electric lift. The matter is engaging the attention of the Public Works Department; and action will be taken as soon as the details are worked out.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. K. T. Bhashyam.—

What is the cost of an electric lift?

Dewan.—

About Rs. 10,000. We are arranging to instal one soon.